


REMARKS

Applicant has amended the Application to attend to correct obvious typographical errors which were not earlier noticed and that such correction is necessary to protect the invention. In the Specification, a typographical error in Example 2 on page 8 was corrected. In Example 2, the term "trimethylolpropane methacrylate" was replaced with the term --trimethylolpropane trimethacrylate-. The latter has at least two double bonds (actually 3) and the former has only one double bond. It is clear from the first 2 lines of claim 1(c) wherein it is recited that the monomer has at least two double bonds, that the trimethylolpropane trimethacrylate species was intended and the omission of the "tri" prefix was a typographical error. Claim 1 was amended to correct an obvious typographical error which was not earlier noticed. In claim 1 (b) the words "n is an integer from 2-9" were deleted because there is no such "n" term in formula (3). Additional amendments were made to the claims to more clearly recite what the Applicant believes to be the invention. In claim 1, X was amended to recite an ammonium ion. Support for this amendment may be found in Applicant's Specification in the paragraph at the top of page 3. In claims 2 and 3, references to the elements were made consistent with the components of amended claim 1. Support for new claims 8 and 9 can be found in originally filed claim 1. New claims 11 and 12 recite a listing of monomers which can provide the crosslinking structure of component c) recited in claim 1 and claim 10. Support for claims 11 and 12 may be found in Applicant's Specification on pages 5 and 8 in Example 2 as discussed hereinabove. It is not believed that any new matter was introduced by these amendments.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 03-2060.

Respectfully submitted

  
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